

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2740

Introduced by Assembly Member La Malfa

February 24, 2006

An act to add Section 37220.1 to the Education Code, relating to school operations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2740, as introduced, La Malfa. School operations: holidays: Veterans Day.

Existing law requires that the public schools close on specified holidays, including Veterans Day, to be observed on November 11, except as specified. Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district, by adoption of a resolution, to revise the date upon which the schools of the district close in observance of any of those specified holidays, except Veterans Day. Existing law prohibits the governing board of a school district from requesting a waiver of the requirement to close on Veterans Day from the State Board of Education.

This bill would, notwithstanding those provisions, authorize the governing board of a school district to open the schools in its district on the day upon which Veterans Day is observed, as specified, in order to conduct a school assembly or other program in which veterans of armed forces speak to pupils, relate their experiences as veterans, and explain the purpose of observing Veterans Day.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 37220.1 is added to the Education
2 Code, to read:
3 37220.1. Notwithstanding Section 37220, the governing
4 board of a school district may open the schools in its district for
5 partial hours, not to exceed the minimum schoolday, on the day
6 upon which Veterans Day is observed in order to conduct a
7 school assembly or other program in which veterans of the armed
8 forces speak to pupils, relate their experiences as veterans, and
9 explain the purpose of observing Veterans Day.

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